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INDO -CHINA AGREEMENT IN AGRICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between India and China for cooperation in Agriculture during the Chinese Agriculture Minister`s recent visit to India;

(b) if so, the main points of agreement reached;

(c) whether cooperation in Agricultural activities and also exchange of scientific delegations and experts between the two countries also figured in the main features of the agreement; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): Yes, Sir. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on cooperation in the field of agriculture was signed on 28th March, 2006 between the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of India and the Ministry of Agriculture of the People`s Republic of China.

(b) to (d): The main objectives of the MoU, inter alia are promoting a wide range of cooperation between the two countries in the field of agriculture and relevant sectors/subsectors including crop production, animal husbandry, fisheries, agricultural processing and trade as well as agricultural research, education and extension. The MoU also provides for exchange of scientific delegations and experts between the two countries.